


REMARKS

The claims have been amended to cancel claims covered in related applications and to remove multiple dependencies.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mark-up of Claims

17. (Amended) A method of manufacturing a rigid internal gear according to Claim 15 [or Claim 16], wherein a gear cutting process for forming the internal teeth on the tooth-forming ring is performed after the tooth-forming ring is integrated with the main gear ring.

18. (Amended) A rigid internal gear of a wave gear device manufactured by a method of manufacturing according to [any of Claims 15 to 17] Claim 15.